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SUBJECT: FOREIGN BUYER PROGRAM: SSG GROUP

1. DISTRIBUTORS OF FURNITURE, CARPETS, HOME FURNISHINGS AND INTERIOR DECORATION ITEMS, AFFILIATED WITH SSG GROUP LED BY SUMINOE TEXTILE CO., LTD., LEADING MANUFACTURER OF CARPETS IN JAPAN, WILL VISIT U.S. FROM JUNE 11 THROUGH 24 TO STUDY RECENT TREND IN US INTERIOR DECORATION AND TO SEEK NEW PRODUCTS FOR DISTRIBUTION IN JAPAN. HIGHLIGHT OF GROUP TOUR ARE VISIT TO INTERNATIONAL FURNITURE SHOW HELD IN MERCHANDISE MART, CHICAGO AND CHICAGO HOME FURNISHINGS MARKET ON 19TH AND 20TH AFTER LOS ANGELES, NEW YORK, PHILADELPHIA, WASHINGTON AND CHICAGO, GROUP WILL VISIT SAN FRANCISCO 21ST THROUGH 23RD.

2. GROUP PLANS TO HOLD A MEETING ON AFTERNOON OF 22ND, TO EVALUATE ITS VISIT TO U.S., AND WISHES TO INVITE GROUP WISHES TO HEAR ABOUT US IN GENERAL, US ECONOMIC PROSPECTS PERSPECTIVES, RETAILING TRENDS AND ROLE USDOC PLAYS IN PROMOTING EXPORTS TO JAPAN.

3. PLEASE ADVISE IF USDOC SAN FRANCISCO DISTRICT OFFICE REPRESENTATIVE CAN DELIVER SPEECH AT MEETING SCHEDULED ON AFTERNOON JUNE 22. DETAILS OF MEETING ARE BEING WORKED OUT BY SSG GROUP'S TRAVEL AGENT, KINKI NIPPON TOURIST CO., OSAKA. AINSWORTH

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